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Enquiry into the extent and manner of collections for the police sports at Mangalore in 1927.

*1416 Q.—Mr. K. R. Karant: With reference to the answer to my question No. 1143 answered on 4th November 1927, will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(a) what objections the Government have to hold a public enquiry into the extent and manner of the collections for the police sports held in Mangalore in 1927;

(b) whether any departmental enquiry has been held into the matter; if so, by whom, and what is the nature and result of the said enquiry; and

(c) whether any notice of the enquiry was given to the public, if not, why not?

A.—(a) The Government consider that no useful purpose will be served by holding such an enquiry.

(b) The hon. Member is referred to the answer given to clause (a) of question No. 1276.

(c) The Government have no information; they have called for it.

Collections for the police sports at Mangalore.

*1417 Q.—Mr. J. A. Saldanha: With reference to the answers to questions Nos. 1228 and 1229 answered on 5th November 1927, will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(a) whether in collecting and spending money for police sports held on the occasion of His Excellency the Governor's visit to Mangalore in October 1927 the rules laid down by Government were conformed to, and if rules were departed from, in what way and by whom;

(b) (1) whether inspectors and sub-inspectors of police and head constables and constables were employed in going round for collecting subscriptions for the police sports and that too over the whole district;

(2) whether any of them were permitted by Government or authority duly empowered to take part in the collection of the money as required by Government Servants Conduct Rules No. 6—Local Ruling;

(c) what the amount collected was from the town of Mangalore and from each of the several taluks of the district;

(d) for what several items the money collected was spent, and for what items (if any) expenditure was disallowed;

(e) whether counterfoil receipt forms were printed with consecutive numbers and what were the total number of such receipt forms;

(f) (1) whether subscriptions were fixed at the minimum figure of Rs. 5 each and if so under what rule;

(2) whether any subscriptions below that figure were collected; and

(g) whether invitations were issued to subscribers for the sports; if so, in what form and whether it will be placed on the table of the House?